JACK ON THE FLAGPOLE.

Away in Mid-sky.

It looks as if Wally Heid, steeplejack,

was going to make good his boast that,

working from the top, he would cut down

the flagpole on the Ann street side of the

Park Row Building, piece by piece, in two

days. On March 3 Wally climbed the

flagpole, the top of which is 384 feet above

the street, to make preparations. Since

then he has been waiting for a favorable

day-a day when there would be absolutely

him "to a T."

### RIVAL SUBWAY PLANS OUT.

R. T. BOARD FEARS IT CANNOT GET BOTH SETS BUILT,

And Will Have to Choose Between Belmont Extensions, With a 5 Cent Fare From Bronx to Ocean, and New Metropolitan Trunk Lines, With Surface Transfers.

The complete plans of the Interborough company and the Metropolitan system describing the new subway routes they are anxious to have the Rapid Transit Commission lay out were made known at the board's meeting yesterday. These routes overlap in several places, and unless the committee on plans can modify the two sets of routes so that they will not conflict the fight between the two companies can only be settled by the commission deciding which of the rival propositions will be

most advantageous to the travelling public. Before the next meeting of the board the committee will try to reconcile the two plans, but its members agree that the prospect is almost hopeless. Both companies will fier to build their routes without financial aid from the city, and for this reason the commission would like to work out a scheme which will enable both corporations to build subways.

The difficulty is shown by a comparison of the respective plans. These are the routes wanted by the Metropolitan:

A four track line from 148th street (where seven lines of the Union Railroad Company converge), under Lexington avenue, to Thirty-fourth street, to Fifth avenue, to roadway, to Vesey street, to Church street, o the Battery, and by a loop up the West de to Seventh avenue, cutting under the southwest part of Central Park to Eighth avenue, and continuing under the Harlem River and Jerome avenue to the city line. A four track line from 148th street under

rd avenue and the Bowery, with one set of two tracks continuing down Park row and Nassau street to Broad street and another two tracks running under New Bowery and Pearl street to Broad street, where there will four tracks, which will round a loop at the Battery.

A crosstown connecting loop under Thirtyfourth street, connecting the new Pennsylvania station with the proposed Third avenue

The Interborough company does not propose building new trunk lines. Its plans call for East and West Side branches, to join the existing subway at Forty-second street. The company proposes to build:

A branch running north from the Grand Central station of the present subway under Lexington avenue to Harlem.

A two track branch running south from Long Acre Square under Seventh avenue to Twenty-fifth street, and thence to Broadway, and a two track branch from Long Acre Square under Broadway to Twenty-fifth street, where it will join the other two tracks, continuing as a four track road under Fifth avenue and West Broadway to Barclay street, where a loop will be provided for local trains express trains will continue under Greenwich street to a loop at the Battery.

In addition, the company asks for permission to extend its present system and offers to bid on routes in Brooklyn practically identical with those laid down by the committee.

The schemes of the two companies come into conflict in the suggested routes traversing Lexington avenue, Seventh avenue and Broadway. Moreover, the Interborough company has appealed to the commission to install a moving platform from river letter sent yesterday to the commission vented his offer to exchange transfers between the platform and the Interborough subway and elevated systems, if this idea was adopted.

In the tentative report it drew up the committee declared in favor of a moving platform for Thirty-fourth street. When ... Metropolitan's proposal was read yesterday. Commissioner Claffin asked what would become of the platform project, if the Metropolitan route should be adopted. In that case it would occupy Thirty-fourth street between Third and Seventh avenues. If we are to have a line under Thirtyfourth street," Mr. Claffin said, "I certainly think it ought to go from river to river and

not pass only under a part of the street." 'I don't see that that is necessary," replied President Orr. "There is no ferry at he western end of the street, and it would seem that there would be no practical use in carrying the line to the Hudson."

The only way that a line running under the street could be carried entirely across town," said Comptroller Grout, "should the street be given to the Metropolitan, would be to run shuttle cars on the west from Seventh avenue and on the east from Third

"Why not put the Metropolitan system in Thirty-fifth street?" asked Mr. Claffin.

"The engineers say that would be impossible," Mr. Orr answered, "because that street would only accommodate two tracks. To carry out its plans the Metropolitan would have to build two tracks under Thirtyfifth street and two tracks under Thirtysixth street, and that the company will not agree to do.

Mr. Orr went on to say that the problem was one the committee would have to tackle, so he would suggest that it might be advisable to put the moving platform under Twenty-third street.

The owners of the department stores, he remarked, "want a crosstown line under Twenty-third street, and, as there are ferries at both ends, I should think the moving platform people might find it profitable to equip that street instead of Thirtyfourth street with their system."

Max Schmitt of the Schmitt & Gallatin syndicate, owner of the moving platform patents, was at the meeting. He said he would continue to fight for Thirty-fourth street, because it would give access to the new Pennsylvania station. He added that his syndicate would build platforms under Twenty-third and Thirty-fourth streets, but whether it would consent to take the Twenty-third street route alone he was not prepared to say.

While there was no definite information as to the terms on which the Interborough and Metropolitan companies will offer to build the routes they have mapped out, it is understood that both will offer to construct the Manhattan roads free. Mr. Belmont has also intimated that if the contracts be asks for are awarded to him his company will carry passengers between The Bronx, Manhattan and Kings for a five cent fare. The Metropolitan offer is understood to provide for free transfers to all the surface lines in Manhattan and

three cent transfers in The Bronx. The Metropolitan company is said to have the resiest chance of winning. Most of the commissioners are of opinion that the Metropolitan plans are more advan-

tageous to the city than those proposed PRESIDENT BLAMES SENATE. by Mr. Belmont.

To meet the demand for additional travelling facilities on the East Side the Interborough has asked permission to make the Second avenue elevated line a four track road from Harlem to Fourth street where it would descend by an easy grade over private property to a subway to the Battery. In anticipation, the directors have authorized the issuance of \$4,800,000

will report adversely upon this scheme. That the Metropolitan plans are more comprehensive than those of the Interborough company is shown by the fact that the Metropolitan's will cost \$165,000,000 and the Interborough's only \$60,000,000.

of new Manhattan stock, but the committee

has practically determined already that it

BRONX TROLLY LINE TO BAISE MORN CASE. The New York City Interborough Railroad has received the permission of the State railroad commissioners to increase its capital stock from \$400,000 to \$1,000,000 and to issue a mortgage for \$7,000,000. This company is not related to the Interborough Transit Company, and has been formed to operate surface cars in The Bronx.

#### WOMAN HELD FOR ALLEN ST. FIRE

Jury Censures Mrs. Lerner, Lessee of House, and the Tenement House Commissioner. The Coroner's jury in the inquest on the Allen street fire, in which twenty lives were lost, found a verdict yesterday in which they said:

"We find the lessee of the premises, Mrs. Cecilia Lerner, to be guilty of gross negligence in keeping the door leading to the roof locked.

"We also censure the Tenement House Commission for not properly inspecting the condition of the premises, in allowing the door to remain looked. We also find that the condition of the premises was highly unsanitary and that the Tenement House law had been violated by not having lights in the dark hallways at night."

As soon as the verdict was rendered Coroner Goldenkranz ordered the arrest of Mrs. Lerner, who was in court. She was held for the Grand Jury in \$2,500 bail. The janitress, Mrs. Ida Belzinsky, was sent to the House of Detention in default of \$1,000 bail

Three tenants of the house who were examined yesterday swore that the door opening on the roof was always kept looked, and that it was locked on the morning of the fire. The janitrees denied this and

said that the door was never kept looked. Under the statutes any one breaking the tenement house law is guilty of a misdemeanor.

#### TO CHRISTEN SHIP WITH OIL. Gov. Hoch Says Crude Kansas Off Will Be

Used on Battleship Kansas. TOPEKA, Kan., March 23,-The battleship Kansas will be christened by breaking a bottle of Kansas crude oil over its prow in place of a bottle of champagne. This is the idea of Gov. Hoch as expressed by him to-day. The statement was made in conversation with A. D. Eddy, general counsel for the Standard Oil Company.

"The last time I saw you, Governor," remarked Mr. Eddy, "you expected to make a trip East this spring to attend the launching of your battleship."
"That has been postpened until July,"

said Gov. Hoch. "I would like to attend that launching and see you break the bottle of champagne to river under Thirty-fourth street, and in over the Kansas," said M. E. J. Evans, attorney for the Standard Oil Company champagne," quickly responded the Governor. "It will be christened with a bottle of oil-not Standard oil or independent oil, but just Kansas oil-Kansas crude oil.

### HELP THE WATER BILL.

Mayor McClellan Appeals to the Organizations Interested-Ramapo Shadow?

Mayor McClellan wrote yesterday to the members of the commercial, civic and olitical organizations of the city asking them to renew their active support of the bill pending before the Legislature for securing additional water supply for the city. The Mayor said that the city had made concession after concession to the demands of the up-State legislators who objected to the bill, and he added:

There still appears to be an active opposition to the bill even with its proposed amendments, and I am satisfied that this hostility is largely due to the efforts of certain interests which have for years been planning to make profit for themselves out of our need for water."

### SEIZE KLINE'S 4 'PHONES

and Arrest Kline in His Room in a Brown stone Dwelling.

Capt. Cooney of the West Sixty-eighth street police station heard yesterday that there was a poolroom on the third floor of 33 West Sixty-first street. Soon after they were off at Bennings he took Detectives Michaels, Macdonnelly, Dunn and Baxter and went to the place.

The house is a fine brownstone affair, four stories high. The top floor is occupied by sisters of the Holy Cross, who teach the School of St. Paul the Apostle, not

When Capt. Cooney knocked at the back door of the suspected apartment a woman, bearing a pitcher of hot water, oautiously

opened it.
"Is Mr. Norton in?" asked the captain,
with rare ingenuity. The woman slammed
the door. Meanwhile the detectives had been listening at other doors. They re-ported to Cooney that they heard tickings

and tinklings.

They broke open a door and found five They broke open a door and found five men in an alcove. On an expensive table rested a telegraph instrument and four telephones, the calls running from 3,754 to 3,757 Columbus. A man who described himself as Charles Kline, a commission merchant, said that he was the tenant of the flat. The instruments were torn out and taken to the station house with the five men. Kline was held and the names and addresses of his four visitors were five men. and addresses of his four visitors were

Capt. Cooney thinks Kline chose the location because of its particularly respectable surroundings.

Made Trolley Car Stop Runa way. A delivery wagon horse ran away at Eighth avenue and Twenty-second street vesterday and threw out the driver, William Roche. At Twenty-third street Patrolman Ben Merritt grabbed the reins and was dragged two blocks. He got tired of the sledding and sawed the horse over in front of a south ound trolley car. The impact smashed the wagon and felled the horse, which dropped on the policeman. Merritt was not seriously hurt, but his

The favorite in the home, at the club, everywhere.
A sparkling nut brown ale in stoneware. - Adv.

HE'S AT A LOSS HOW TO RELIEVE VENEZUELA SITUATION

And Thinks the Attitude of Castre's Government Was Inspired by the Failure of the Senate to Stand by the Administration in the Santo Domingo Affair.

WASHINGTON, March 23. - President Roosevelt is concerned over what he regards as the inability of this Government to take steps to relieve the embarrassing situation presented by the attitude of This condition of affairs is Venezuela. attributed by the Administration to the position assumed by the Senate with reference to the Santo Domingo treaty and the postponement of action on that agreement. While it is declared that the situation is not strained and the developments are not such as to cause alarm, the President is at a loss to know what can be done by the United States if occasion should call for action on its part.

In a conversation to-day with Representative Babcock of Wisconsin the President discussed in some detail his sentiments on the subject of the Venezuela situation and plainly declared his opinion that the attitude of Venezuela at this time was no doubt inspired to a great extent by the failure of the Senate to stand by the Administration in the Santo Domingo matter. The President showed that he felt that President Castro manifested a disposition to take advantage of this result and accepted it as evidence of impotence in the Roosevelt Administration to meet situations involving the Monroe Doctrine and the interests of the United States to the southward. This manifestation was exhibited in the apparent disposition of President Castro to take steps toward making arrangements for the settlement of European claims, notably those of Germany and Great Britain, to the exclusion of American greditors.

In emphatic terms Mr. Roosevelt deprecates the action of the United States Senate in drawing party lines in the Santo Domingo affair. He said that it was greatly to be regretted, in view of American interests. that party lines should for a moment be drawn in the consideration by the United States of any matter affecting American interests in the Caribbean Sea region. The chief concern of the President at this time, of which he has taken note, is that President Castro has given evidence of regarding the Washington Administration as having failed to carry out its purpose in Santo Domingo, thereby producing a condition of impotence in this republic to deal with situations involving American rights and interests.

The Venezuelan situation is being watched anxiously by the President, and while he sees no occasion for action now he does not attempt to disguise the feelings he entertains, that the situation, which he holds has resulted from postponing action on the Sante Domingo treaty, can have no influence except to create the impression in the minds of such leaders to the southward as President Castro that the Washington Administration will not be sustained in any policy it may adopt to protect American nterests and maintain inviolate the traditional principles of the Monroe Doctrine.

The next development in the Venezuela nuddle is expected to come from Rome. It is believed in official circles here that Italy is already preparing for some action against Castro for his attempts to annul concessions of Italian mining interests, and if that Government makes a formal protest to the Venezuela executive very soon no surprise will be caused.

Baron Mayor Des Planches, the Italian Ambassador, called at the State Department to-day. He brought with him a telegram from his Government which he transmitted to Acting Secretary of State Adee, with whom he had a long conference. Mr. Adee declined to make public the import of the message. It was said that it was confirmatory of the press depatches which announced Castro's intention to seize the mines controlled by Italians in Venezuela.

### ASK OUR AID IN COLOMBIA. Foreign Bondholders Seek Enforcement

of Panama's Share of Debt. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 23 .- Lord Avebury, presi-

dent of the council of foreign bondholders. having requested the United States to withhold its payments to Panama until the latter's share of the Colombian debt could be arranged, Secretary of State Hay replied on Feb. 10 that his Government was unable to comply with the request because the council, not being citizens of the United States could not claim the latter's assistance in collecting bonds against foreign governments.

Lord Avebury on March 10 wrote Mr. Hay expressing much regret at the decision and appealing to the affirmation in President Roosevelt's message that it was incompatible with international equity for the United States to disallow other Powers to compel satisfaction of the claims of creditors while the United States itself refused to do so.

Lord Avebury cited President Roosevelt's action in the Santo Domingo matter and said that the council had deduced from this that he would assist the holders of Colombian bonds, whose claims were at least as good as those of the Santo Domingo bondholders, and who, the council tion in view of the prejudice they had suffered in consequence of the secession of Panama from Colombia. After thanking aluded:

"We venture again to treepass upon your indness in asking you to inform us whether the United States Government would intervene in the direction of securing the recognition and payment by Panama of an equita-ble share of the Colombian debt if a request to that effect were submitted to your Excellency by the Governments of Great Brit-ain and Holland, whose subjects are chiefly interested in Colombian bonds."

#### PRESS DOMINGO CLAIMS Belgian Minister Demands Immediate Payment of Bills.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN SANTO DOMINGO CITY, March 23.-In view the adjournment of the United States Senate and the failure of the treaty under which the United States Government was which the United States Government was to administer the Sento Domingo customs "receipts and pay off this republio's foreign cred itors," M. Renoz, the Belgian Minister, handed in to-day an energetic protest against any further delay in the payment of the Belgian claims.

It is asserted that the French, German and Italian representatives will follow his and Italian representatives will follow his

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example.

# Broadway Turns to Look at Him Sawing

AND WOUND FIFTY.

Outbreak Follows Resistance to Order for Farmers to Supply Army Horses -Priests Refuse Secret Burtal-Res serves in Odessa District Revolt. Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

WARSAW, March 23 .- There is great inno air stirring. Yesterday, he said, suited dignation here over a reported murderous He started up the pole about 10 o'clock in the morning, anchored his stationary tackle, to which the safety harness in which he hung was fastened, a few feet from the top of the pole and began sawing away. As fast as he sawed off the pieces above him

he lowered them to a man on the roof. With each shift he was, of course, obliged to lower his stationary tackle on the pole. These were the ticklish moments, for his hold on the pole depended then only on his climbers and the little support that he could get from his arms while he worked with them at the same time. Whilehe was changing his tackle the saw hung at his side, and its glitter in the sun was visible to the crowds that watched him. He appeared, sitting in his swing away up there, like a

mere speck. People as far down as Cortlandt street on Broadway stopped to look, and as the pole swayed or his swing shifted from one side to the other, it was not unusual to see women turn away fearful of what might happen. At some places in lower Broadway the policemen were kept busy clearing

the street. When Heid knooked off work about 4 clock he had half the pole down, and the harder half at that.

"Oh, a little stiff, that's all," was the only mment he would make on questions as to how he felt He will get \$125 for the job. The pole is

taken down so that it won't be struck by lightning. TO CONTEST WEIGHTMAN WILL.

Effort to Keep Mrs. Walker From Inheriting 860,000,000 From Her Father. PHILADELPHIA, March 23 .- Mrs. Jones Vister, one of the social leaders of Philadelphia, has been gathering evidence quietly to support the suit she will now begin to break the will of William Weightman, who left his entire fortune of \$60,000,000 to his daughter, Mrs. Anne M. Weightman

Walker. Mrs. Wister's first husband was one of Weightman's sons, and she has entered upon the contest entirely through a sense duty toward her children

Mrs. Wister has millions of her own, and mmense social prestige as well. The documents she has secured seem to show that Mr. Weightman intended to remember his other heirs. There is a reference to a codicil to his will. But there is no codicil. Some of the letters will be backed by evidence showing that they were written mmediately after Mr. Weightman had talked with Mrs. Walker, and their contents will be compared with letters and statements from him on the same subjects immediately before the visit, and which

are entirely different in intention. The contest will be upon the ground that Mr. Weightman showed eccentricities that would throw doubt upon his mental condition at the time his brief will was drawn. Effort will also be made to show undue influence.

#### ARTS CLUB BUYS TILDEN HOUSE. To Build a Studio Beside the Residence in the Lot.

The National Arts Club, which has a house in Thirty-fourth street, purchased yesterday through Ashforth & Co. the old Samuel J. Tilden residence, 14 and 15 Gramercy Park, from Charles D. Sabin. The purchase was made by the club in conjunction with other interests. What these other interests are was not revealed.

The club will retain its Thirty-fourth street property and will erect a studio on the part of the Tilden property not occupled by the residence. Ample ground is available for this purpose, the plot being 60x140 feet.

The Tilden house is a 4 story and basement occupying the northerly part of the lot. It consisted originally of two houses, on the remodelling of which Mr. Tilden spent about \$500,000.

The property was sold under decree of the SupremeCourt in a partition suit brought by the New York Public Library (Astor, enox and Tilden Foundations), against the Tilden estate, in 1899. At that time it was struck down at \$180,000, to Mr. Sabin, who married Miss Susie Tilden, a niece of Samuel

#### GAS COMMITTEE HAS COUNSEL. Charles E. Hughes, Republican, 19th District, Belected.

Five of the seven members of the gas investigating committee met in the room of Senator Stevens in the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night and formally approved of his selection of Charles E. Hughes as senior counsel. The two Democratic members, Senator Grady and Assemblyman Palmer, were not present. Another meeting will be held to-day to select the junior counsel. Mr Hughes is the senior member of the firm of Hughes, Rounds & Schurman of thought, had a claim for especial considers - | 96 Broadway. He is a Republican and lives in the Nineteenth Assembly district. He has never been active in politics. He is counsel for the New York and Westchester Mr. Hay for his courteous replies to his railway company that recently got a franchise from the Board of Aldermen for a four track electric road which it has planned to build through Westchester county and The Bronx. One of his partners is former Assistant District Attorney Schurman. Senator Stevens refused to tell who recomended him to the committee. sessions, it is expected, will begin early next

Rockefeller Party May Contest Election. TARBYTOWN, N. Y., March 23 .- It is reported that the Rockefellers intend to conwhich John Wirth, the young butcher, was elected president last Tuesday. It is was elected president last Tuesday. It is said that young men under age voted, and also that a number of the employees of a certain factory voted who were not entitled to vote. Two trustees on the Rockettled to vote. titled to vote. Two trustees on the feller board were only a few votes

EIGHTEEN TRAINS A DAY BETWEEN York and Buffalo, via the six-track New York at or the West Shore Raffroad.—Adv.

Outckest Line to Cleveland. Leave New York 8:32 P. M. arrive Cleveland 7:18 nest morning. Cincinnasi 1:36 P. M. Indianapolis 3:00 P. M. St. Louis 9:48 P M. by New York Central. Fine service. No sayes fare. Adv.

### RUSSIAN PEASANTS SHOT DOWN

TROOPS FIRE ON UNARMED MEN

military attack on unarmed peasants in the Kutno district. The peasants, a week ago, were ordered to supply horses to the army under the mobilization order. The order angered them and they refused to comply On Tuesday 150 of them gathered on the

highway near Lanienta, and apparently were discussing resistance to the enforcement of the order, when the chief of police of Kutne and a company of infantry arrived and ordered them to disperse. The peasants did not understand Russian and consequently did not move.

Thereupon the commander directed the soldiers to fire. The crowd seeing the soldiers raise their rifles scattered and ran. Three volleys followed, and fifty of the peasants fell, two of them dead.

The commander refused to allow the rounded men to be taken to their homes, but insisted that they be taken in carts to Kutno, a six hours journey. They received no attention and eight of them died before Kutno was reached. Nine others are in a hopeless condition.

The police asked priests to bury the dead at night lest there be a demonstration. The priests refused, saying the troops might kill, but they could not rob the victimes of proper Christian burial. An immense crowd from a wide district attended the funeral and piled masses of flowers on the coffins.

This was not only an expression of sympathy, but a passive indorsement of the opposition to mobilization and dragooning. A deputation of residents of the Kutn district is now on the way to Warsaw t complain to Governor-General Maximoviteb The latter arrived here to-day. H

favorably impressed the Poles by his gracious bearing and by attending mass i Roman Catholio Cathedral after attending mass in an Orthodox Church This is the first time a Russian Governor has attended a Catholio mass since the evolution of 1831.

Later the Governor visited the Roman Catholic Archbishop, and it is understood that he asked the prelate's help in restor ing order in Poland. The incident is regarded as initiating a conciliatory policy.

LONDON, March 24.-The Standard' Odessa correspondent says that 2,000 reservists, who are quartered upon the innabitants of Nicolaieff, are terrifying the town. They parade the streets, threatening to wreck everything rather than go to Manchuria. The Governor has telegraphed for regular troops to check the disorder.

### MET RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET. Report From Mauritius of the Sighting

ef Rejestvensky's Squadron

Special Cable Desphiches to THE SUN. PORT LOUIS Mauritius March 28 -A steamer from Colombo reports that on the night of March 16 she met a Russian torpedo boat, which was followed by a fleet, the nationality of which could not be made out. The position where the fleet was sighted is not stated.

It is inferred that it was the Russian Baltic fleet proceeding to the eastward. LONDON, March 24.-The Paris correspondent of the Morning Leader says it is reported that a Japanese torpedo boat, the

advance guard of the Japanese squadron,

has passed Colombo, Ceylon, bound west.

JAPS SEIZE ANOTHER TOWN. Take Changtufu in Their Advance to the

North From Mukden. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. TORIO, March 23 .- A despatch from Jap-

anese headquarters in the field says: "Our detachment entered Changtufu, twenty miles north of Kaiyuan, on the afternoon of March 21, large bodies of the enemy retreating in disorder in a northeasterly direction. Some Russian cavalry halted three kilometres north of Changtufu."

### NEW JAPANESE LOAN.

\$150,000,000 at 4 1-2 Per Cent.-Price Probably About Par.

The new Japanese loan will amount to £80,000,000, half of it to be placed here. The loan will bear 41/2 per cent. interest. The terms upon which the bonds are to be offered to the public are not known yet, but since the unsecured 5 per cent. Japanese bonds are selling at par in London and the unsecured 4 per cent, bonds at 88. bankers believe that the new issue will be offered about at par, as it is secured by the

tobacco monopoly. Kuhn, Loeb & Co. will associate with themselves the same group of bankers that participated in the subscription of the two previous loans. A large part of the first loan has been resold abroad

COST TO RUSSIA \$1,000,000,000. Estimate of the War Expenses So Far-In-

dignation at Home. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 24.-The Moscow corre spondent of the Standard says that it is stimated that the two milliards of rubles (\$1,000,000,000) already spent on the war are all irretrievably lost. This is causing indignation that is proportionate to the recognition of the great need for Govern ment aid to agriculture and productive

works. The correspondent adds that enough grain is thrown away every week alongside the railways, owing to lack of transportation test the election of the citizens' ticket on | facilities, to cover St. Paul's Cathedral.

#### Russia to Raine \$100,000,000. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 23 .- A news agency despatch from St. Petersburg says that an agreement was signed to-day for the issue of the new Russian internal loan of \$100,000,-000. It will be issued at 96 and will be redeemable in fifty years.

SOFT, WHITE HANDS Insured to ladies who use Cuticura Soap exclusively during winter. Emoillent, medicinal, antiseptic.— WANT TO BET ON THE DINNERS 85,000 Offered That the Democratic Club

Won't Be Ontshene by the Iroquels. The members of the Democratio Club decline to admit that the Iroquois Club of Chicago, which has captured Bryan, will have the best of the Jefferson day line-up. President Fox issued last night a statement that Judge Parker would attend the local dinner, and added, that it was not true that Judge Parker refused to speak at the dinner until after he had heard that Mr. Bryan and ex-President Cleveland had sent their regrets. Mr. Fox explained:

"Judge Parker sent regrets because he had other plane. But being an old friend of his I saw him and urged him that it was his duty to put saids his other engagement, which he consented to do."

Ex-Mayor Van Wyck, who is at the head of the committee of arrangements, offers to bet \$5,000 that the Democratic Club's dinner will have a more prominent place in the eyes of the country than the Iroquois dinner. The Democratic Club will have Tom Watson, the Populist candidate for president; Tom Johnson, and United States Senators Stone, Dubois and Newlands.

### BLAZE AT MR. LYDIG'S.

Servants Put It Out Before Firemen Arrived-Electric Wire the Cause.

While Mr. and Mrs. Philip M. Lydig of 38 East Fiftieth street were out at dinner last night their butler discovered that a badly insulated electric light wire had set fire to the wainscoting on the second floor.

The butler telephoned to Fire Headquarters and Engine 65 and Truck 2 were sent to the house on a still alarm. By the time the firemen arrived the servants had put out the fire.

#### MORE NEW TELEPHONE RATES. Reductions for Calls to the Outlying Boroughs Announced

The New York Telephone Company announced last night that after June 1 this new schedule of rates from Manhat-

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A new schedule of rates for Brooklyn, announced yesterday, places the toll for subscribers at \$54 for a direct line, 600-calls, where it was formerly \$66 for 700 calls, in the business districts, and \$60 a year for a direct mediance line, instead of \$75 as heretofore. In the Bath Beach and Coney Island districts there will be a reduction to \$24 a year for party lines in private

### HIT BY TWO MOVING TRAINS. One Hurled Jackson Against the Other,

but He Fell Safely Between Them. WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., March 23-Fredrick Jackson of New York was in a hurry to board a northbound train at the White Plains station to-day and stepped in from of a southbound train, which he evidently didn't see. The pilot of the southbound engine struck him and burled him against

the northbound train. The man struck the steps of a car and bounded back. The angle at which he hit the steps caused his body to swerve around lengthwise, and by a desperate effort Jackson managed to drop clearly between the trains. He was stunned by the fall, but he fell just right to save his life, as the two trains passed in opposite directions as he lay between the tracks. One of the trains cut off the sole of one of his rubbers. After the trains had passed Jackson got up and hurried into a saloon to escape a crowd who followed him.

"I won't take any more chances to get train," Jackson said to Policeman Shay. "I tell you, I had a narrow escape, but I did not get burt. I thought sure I was/a gone goose."

### BUFFALO BILL LOSES.

Court Decides in Favor of Mrs. Cody in His Proceedings for Divorce.

SHEBIDAN, Wyo., March 23 .- A decision n favor of Mrs. Cody was handed down by Judge Soott this afternoon in the suit for a divorce instituted by Buffalo Bill. The Court ordered that the "Bessie Isabell' charges and other wrongdoings of Cody be stricken from the answer in the case before he would find in her favor. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court of the State.

Cody in his bill charged desertion and also that Mrs. Cody tried to poison him. In her reply Mrs. Cody entered a general denial and also accused her husband of wrongdoing with several women, both in this

country and abroad. The Court handed down a written opinion in the case and charged Cody with being cruel to his wife.

The opinion said that none of the causes for which the divorce had been sought was sustained, and that even if Mrs. Cody had threatened him at the time of her daughter Arta's burial, it should be considered in the light of the surrounding conditions, as she was heartbroken at his

CZAR CARRIES OUT PROMISES. Minister of the Interior to Receive Delegates of Moscow Zemstve.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 24. - The St. Petersourg correspondent of the Times says the early fulfilment of the promises contained in the recent imperial rescript appears to be assured. M. Bulyguine, Minister of the Interior,

has consented to receive delegations from the Moscow Zemstvo and the Duma, or municipal council. The delegations will include such urgent reformers as Mayor Galitzin and M. Shipoff, chairman of the executive committee of the zemstvo The anti-reform party in the zemstvo

has lost its influence. The Marshals of the Nobility, who preside over the semstvos in thirty-four provinces, met at Moscow recently and communicated the result of their deliberations to the delegates, who left Moscow yesterday to submit their views to Minister Bulyguine.

## 4 SMASHES, ONE DAY'S RECORD

BRYAN SAYS SCALLAWAGS HAVE TAMPERED WITH BRAKES.

Two Elevated Trains Hit Buniners at South Ferry-Rear End Subway Jost -Several People Hurt-Full Service and Full Power Now-Pleas to Belmont

There were three more accidents yesterday at or near the South Ferry terminal of the Sixth and Ninth avenue elevated railroads, making five that have occurred here within the last two weeks. At least wo of yesterday's accidents, like the previous ones, were caused apparently by failure of the air brakes to work properly. In two cases the trains crashed into the bumpers at the end of the line. The third accident was a collision at a switch.

A rear end collision also occurred in the subway in the morning at the 118th street

Several persons were hurt in these ac-

Vice-President E. P. Bryan of the Interborough company gave out a statement to the effect that full service had been restored on all the lines, under full power. Incidentally, he said that in his belief many of the recent accidents were due to scallawags tampering with the air brakes. He said that the old employees of the company were being taken back at the rate of about 150 a day.

The first accident at the South Ferry terminal of the elevated lines yesterday occurred at 7 o'clock in the morning, to a Sixth avenue train of six cars. There were only a few passengers in this train, and nobody was hurt. The train was no

seriously damaged. BRAKES DIDN'T GRIP. The second accident occurred shortly after 5 o'clock in the afternoon. It, too, was on the Sixth avenue line, and the train was made up of six cars, which were all well filled. The air brakes, according to one passenger, were applied by the motorman just about as the first car of the train reached the forward end of the platform but they didn't seem to grip the wheels at all. The train hit the bumper with great force, and the passengers, many of whom

These persons were injured: J. E. Sheridan, back hurt: Merlon Evans. 290 West Twelfth street, bruised and internal injuries; Mrs. Mary Luro, Boston, suffering from shock; Miss Anna Lawson, Port Richmond, Staten Island, wrist sprained; J. J. Decker, Staten Island, knee wrenched.

Miss Evans was carried from the car

almost unconscious, but was revived in

were standing, were thrown in all directions.

one of the little fruit stores near the Staten Island ferry house and taken home. All the other injured persons also went home. The train was not seriously damaged. and the accident caused a delay of only

about ten minutes in the running schedule of the road. Traffic on both the Sixth and Ninth avenue elevated lines was blocked for forty min-utes, from 9:55 to 10:35, last night by a collision near the South Ferry station. A Ninth avenue train with about 150 people on board and in charge of a new motorman was just about to enter the South Ferry station when the signal light was set against it. The motorman brought his

the signal by the time he had done so. Before backing up it is a rule of the company for motormen to give a signal. It was stated last night that the motorman do so. He backed his train up anyway, and crashed into a Sixth avenue train which was drawing up just behind his.

train to a stop, but he had gone just beyond

The first car of the Sixth avenue was wrenched from its trucks and lifted about a foot to one side, so that it rested in a slanting position. The force of the collision caused the Sixth avenue train to shoot back and bump into another Sixth avenue train in its rear. Only the platforms of the two colliding cars were slightly damaged in this second jar.

The people on all the trains were thoroughly frightened, and many of them left the cars and walked to the South Ferry station. No one was injured, however, Trains began to pile up behind the collid-

ng trains from both lines, and in fifteen minutes the elevated structure as far up as Rector street was filled with delayed trains. The car of the Sixth avenue train that was torn from its trucks scraped the platforms of the Battery place and Rector street stations when the train was taken up to the Rector street yard, damaging them slightly.

After this train was taken out of the way the block was quickly untangled.

TWO HURT IN SUBWAY CRASH Two subway trains collided yesterday norning at 7:35 o'clock on the southbound track, directly in front of the platform at 116th street and Lenox avenue. James Daly, a motorman, had his leg broken, and Morris Musher, a passenger, who lives at 19 East 134th street, had his nose cut by broken glass.

A southbound express had started, but had gone only a few yards when the motorman, finding he had not sufficient headway, brought the train to a stop. Meanwhile Daly had got his train, which was just behind, under way and was unable to stop it in time to avoid a collision. The front platform of his train and the rear platform of the train ahead were jammed together. and it was with some difficulty that he was

A policeman of the 125th street station was on one of the trains and at once reported to the station. Four or five men were sent around to preserve order among a crowd of 500 which congregated in and around the station. There was some dis turbance at first, but it quickly subsided. Daly was taken to the J. Hood Wright Hospital. Musher's wound was dressed on

the platform by a surgeon from the hospital The accident delayed traffic half an hour. NORMAL CONDITIONS RESTORED.

Vice-President E. P. Bryan of the Interborough company said yesterday that not only had normal traffic conditions been resumed on both the elevated and subway roads, but that the company was taking back its striking employees at the rate of 150 a day. In proof of the assertion that the traffic conditions were nearly the same as before the strike began, he sent statistics yesterday to the Rapid Transit Commission showing the number of trains run on March 6, the day before the strike, and the number operated on

These figures represented that on March

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